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Westside Salmon Announcement 25 Emergency Order 29

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 24 issued Thursday, July 4 at 12:00 p.m.

The cumulative Wood River sockeye salmon escapement at 6:00 a.m. was 967,000, Igushik River escapement is 205,000. The Nushagak River sockeye salmon escapement through July 3 was 762,000; the king salmon escapement was 77,777. There are 327 permits registered to fish in the Nushagak District. The commercial harvest yesterday was 178,000 sockeye salmon, making the cumulative harvest 2.54 million.

As previously announced, commercial fishing with drift gillnets in the Nushagak District will close at 9:00 p.m. July 4. Commercial fishing will reopen with drift gillnets in the Nushagak District for 10 hours; from 1:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. July 5, and again for 8 hours from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. July 5.

Peter Pan is once again accepting donations for the Fish for Kids program in the Nushagak District. Contact any Peter Pan tender for information on how to donate fish to the lunch program for area school kids and seniors.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham. Have a great 4th of July! - end-